1 HONORABLE RICHARD A. JONES 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT SEATTLE 10 BRIAN JOHNSON, et al, on behalf of No. CV 06-0900 RAJ themselves and all others similarly situated, 11 PLAINTIFFS' REPLY -Plaintiffs, MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND 12 v. **Note on Motion Calendar:** 13 **January 14, 2010** MICROSOFT CORPORATION, 14 a Washington corporation, 15 Defendant. 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

PLAINTIFFS' REPLY –
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND - 0
CASE NO. CV06_0900 RAJ

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INTRODUCTION

- 1. Plaintiffs agree to withdraw their newly-added, proposed claim for fraudulent misrepresentation, negligent misrepresentation and fraudulent concealment.
- 2. The claims for injunctive relief are not new. Microsoft asked for and received this precise list of injunctive relief through discovery responses provided in April 2008.
- 3. Plaintiffs have no intention of reviving class claims *unless* there is a reversal of this Court's summary judgment ruling. Therefore the proposed TACC correctly and appropriately sets forth the claims and contentions in issue in this litigation.

II. THE ADDED CAUSE OF ACTION FOR FRAUD

As stated above, Plaintiffs agree to withdraw the proposed fifth cause of action in the TACC for fraudulent misrepresentation, negligent misrepresentation, and fraudulent concealment.

Plaintiffs rational for filing these claims was as follows. Prior to December 2009, this action was brought as a class action. The class representatives initially brought claims that were amendable to class certification, and did not pursue causes of action that might present complications at the certification stage, even though they might otherwise be viable from an individual perspective. Upon withdrawal of the class claims in December 2009, the individual plaintiffs were then free to bring claims that might otherwise present distractions in the context of class certification. The same predicate factual allegations that are alleged in plaintiffs' CPA, unjust enrichment, and trespass claims also give rise to claims for fraud.

Microsoft's objection that the plaintiffs have known about their fraud claims and should have brought them when they were first known misses the point. The addition of the fraud claims is not based on any newly discovered knowledge, but rather is based upon the change in the

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posture of the case (withdrawal of class claims), which made the fraud claims viable as an individual claim.

Plaintiffs have chosen to withdraw these claims in light of Microsoft's threat to re-depose the plaintiffs. This threat presents a cost-burden that far outweighs what any plaintiff might recover in damages from Microsoft on their individual fraud claim. It makes no sense, therefore, to insist on the right to pursue a claim when the largest corporation in the world threatens to turn the claim into a litigation burden that would far outweigh any potential recovery.

III. MICROSOFT HAS NO LEGITIMATE COMPLAINT REGARDING THE INJUNCTIVE RELIEF SOUGHT BY THE TACC

Microsoft's protestations over the injunctive relief sought in the TACC is much ado about nothing.

First, Microsoft was specifically apprised of each and every point of injunctive relief almost two years ago, and well in advance of the depositions of all of the plaintiffs.

On April 20, 2008, plaintiffs responded to Microsoft's First Set Of Interrogatories To Newly Added Plaintiffs. Specifically, Microsoft's Interrogatory No. 8 asked; "Describe the nature of any injunctive, declaratory or equitable relief you seek in this case." Plaintiffs responded with a detailed list of 18 separate items of injunctive relief. This list was complete and inclusive, and is the source for the claims now reflected in the proposed TACC. Microsoft was provided the list for each and every item of injunctive relief more than 20 months ago. *See* Appendix A, attached hereto.

Second, Microsoft deposed each of the plaintiffs after these interrogatory responses were provided. These interrogatory responses were introduced into the record by Microsoft as an exhibit at each plaintiff's deposition. *See*, e.g. Appendix B, attached hereto.

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Third, none of the injunctive relief sought in the TACC is at variance with the relief sought in the SACC. Each of the 16 specific demands for injunctive relief sought in the TACC is encompassed and included within the 6 general points of injunctive relief sought in the prayer of the SACC. *See* Appendix C, attached hereto. The TACC merely provides detail and specificity with respect to the injunctive relief of which Microsoft was previously apprised. Plaintiffs believed Microsoft would welcome the list of injunctive relief sought by plaintiffs being formalized in the pleading, rather than leaving it specified only through discovery. Microsoft's feigned alarm that Plaintiffs' injunctive relief is new, or a bolt from the blue, is disingenuous.

Fourth, Microsoft does not cite any law (because there is none), which prohibits a plaintiff from seeking any injunctive relief the court finds appropriate based upon the proof presented at trial.

IV. WITHDRAWAL OF THE CLASS CLAIMS

Microsoft raises a hue and cry over Plaintiffs decision to withdraw class claims prior to the motion for class certification. Microsoft, claiming wrongdoing by plaintiffs, now demands a hearing on class certification, or sanctions, or some kind of punitive restrictions on amendments as a result.

There is utterly no legal or procedural support for any of these demands.

Plaintiffs' determination to withdraw the class claims was based upon several factors, including:

1. The current status of the case and the rulings consistently in favor of Microsoft on all motions and contested issues;

- 2. The Court's scheduling of oral argument a mere five business days after plaintiffs were due to file their reply, which, given the thousands of pages of briefing, argument, and evidence submitted for the motion, appeared disadvantageous to plaintiffs;
 - 3. The grant of summary judgment in favor of Microsoft on plaintiffs contract claim;
- 4. Microsoft's argument in its opposition to the class certification motion, that the damages provision of the contract would not be applicable or available as a remedy to the trespass or CPA claims, since the contract cause of action was eliminated by the summary judgment ruling. (Obviously, Plaintiffs do not agree with this argument, but it nonetheless was a consideration).

Plaintiffs' counsel, taking these (and other) factors into consideration, made a determination to withdraw the motion for class certification. Plaintiffs' counsel has a duty to their clients to act in their best interests. Class counsel also has a duty to act in the best interests of the class. The decision to withdraw the motion for class certification under these circumstances was overwhelmingly an act in the best interests of the individual clients and the members of the class.

There is no provision whatsoever for a defendant to be awarded fees when prevailing on a motion for class certification. Neither Rule 23, nor Rule 11, nor any case law of any jurisdiction provide for any kind of sanction or fees based upon a determination of whether a class may or may not be certified.

In this case, the threat of class certification has been eliminated. The class claims (except for those subject to appeal), have been withdrawn from the litigation. This was achieved prior to argument, ruling by the court, or reply by plaintiffs. Thus, Microsoft has achieved what it sought to do at even less cost than would otherwise be expended if the issue had been fully briefed and argued.

All cases providing for the assessment of any award of expenses entail the *addition* of claims after discovery has been taken, not the *withdrawal* of a claim. Microsoft seeks to turn this principle on its head and gain advantage from what is, in fact a benefit to Microsoft in the narrowing of the litigation against it.

V. THE ELLIS AMENDMENTS

The Ellis amendments are not amendments at all, but rather a preservation of the status quo for purposes of appeal. Ellis' claims must remain intact in the operative pleading in order for his appellate claims to remain viable.

It has long been the rule that "a plaintiff waives all causes of action alleged in the original complaint which are not alleged in the amended complaint." *London v. Coopers & Lybrand*, 644 F.2d 811, 814 (9th Cir. 1981). Citing, *Sacramento Coca-Cola Bottling Co. v. Chauffeurs, Etc.*, *Local 150*, 440 F.2d 1096 (9th Cir.), cert. denied, 404 U.S. 826, 92 S. Ct. 57, 30 L. Ed. 2d 54 (1971); *Loux v. Rhay*, 375 F.2d 55 (9th Cir. 1967); *Bullen v. De Bretteville*, 239 F.2d 824 (9th *Cir. 1956*), cert. denied sub nom. *Treasure Company v. Bullen*, 353 U.S. 947, 77 S. Ct. 825, 1 L. Ed. 2d 856 (1957). Accord *King v. Atiyeh*, 814 F.2d 565, 567 (9th Cir. 1987).

VI. THERE IS NO PREJUDICE TO MICROSOFT

With the withdrawal of the fraud claims, Microsoft's remaining claims of prejudice are reduced to three. None of the three result in any actual prejudice.

The Ellis contract/class claims are included for preservation of appellate rights. They have no impact on the present litigation, and only become relevant if the 9th Circuit Court of Appeal so instructs this Court.

The injunctive relief claims were provided by plaintiffs to Microsoft over two years ago and Microsoft has had every opportunity to engage in whatever discovery it chose to pursue.

They are nothing more than an elaboration in the pleadings of what was already provided through discovery and were included as a courtesy to Microsoft.

The additional allegations concerning the download, operation, and installation of Validation verses Notifications has been a point of heated contention between the parties since the inception of the litigation and has been the subject of substantial motion practice and discovery. (*See*, e.g. Docket # 156.) Because of Microsoft's efforts at obfuscation and obstruction, plaintiffs have laid out in the operative pleading the precise factual allegations so that the litigation might proceed based on clear allegations and not upon the intentionally confusing gobbledegook which Microsoft has turned this issue into. This is not prejudice – this is movement toward clarity and truthful litigation.

Each of the amendments is designed to streamline and focus this lengthy litigation into a concise, coherent, and pointed roadmap for the remainder of this litigation. The amendments achieve these goals, and Microsoft's claims of prejudice are geared more towards obstruction than resolution.

VII. FOR THE RECORD

Microsoft's opposition is replete with misstatements of fact and distortions. For the record, a couple of the most egregious are listed (and corrected) below.

"Twelve days before the December 30, 2007	Microsoft's counsel, Karl Quackenbush,
deadline for Microsoft's opposition, however,	actually suggested and recommended that
Plaintiffs unexpectedly withdrew it. See Dkt.	plaintiffs withdraw the motion for class
No. 126. Plaintiffs' last-minute maneuver	certification set for December 30, 2007 during
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class certification opposition."	before the withdrawal was filed.
Opposition, page 3, *26 – page 4, *2	
"Indeed, Plaintiffs' proposed Third Amended	Plaintiffs never "told the Court they would
Consolidated Complaint ("Third	remove all class allegations." Plaintiffs'
Amended Complaint") asserts class allegations	counsel stated, repeatedly, that plaintiffs would
in the dismissed breach of contract claim even	be withdrawing the class allegations on
though they told the Court they would remove	plaintiffs' remaining claims. Every time Mr.
all class allegations."	Quackenbush attempted to reframe plaintiff's
Opposition, page 4, *13-16	counsel's statement into an "all class
	allegations" interpretation, he was corrected by
	plaintiffs' counsel that the class allegation
	withdrawal would affect the "remaining"
	claims. The proposed TACC conforms
	precisely to this representation.

VIII. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, plaintiffs respect request that plaintiffs' motion for leave to amend the SACC, as modified by plaintiffs' agreement to withdraw their fraud claims, be granted.

DATED this 8th day of January, 2010.

_____/s/___ Alan Himmelfarb

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Appendix A

1 Honorable Richard A. Jones 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 7 AT SEATTLE 8 BRIAN JOHNSON, et al, on behalf of NO. CV 06-0900 RAJ 9 themselves and all others similarly situated, PLAINTIFFS RESPONSES TO 10 Plaintiffs, MICROSOFT'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO NEWLY ADDED 11 **PLAINTIFFS** v. 12 MICROSOFT CORPORATION, 13 a Washington corporation, 14 Defendant. 15 16 17 18 19 Plaintiffs Brian Weatherill ("Weatherill"), Nathan Verrilli ("Verrilli"), James Grennan 20 ("Grennan"), and Charles Ellis ("Ellis") hereby respond to Defendant Microsoft Corporation's 21 First Set Of Interrogatories To Newly Added Plaintiffs. 22 23 24 25 26 PLAINTIFFS RESPONSES TO MICROSOFT'S FIRST KamberEdelson, LLC SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO NEWLY ADDED 53 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1530 Chicago, Illinois 60604 **PLAINTIFFS** CASE NO. CV06_0900 RAJ Telephone: (312) 589-6370

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- s. By gathering information, at Microsoft's election, from the computer owner's computer, and sending that information back to Microsoft, the operation of the WGA programs infringes on the computer owner's right to privacy;
- t. By tying Class members' right to Windows XP "updates and fixes" to Class members installation of the separate WGA programs, in order to force Class members to install the WGA Validation Anti-Piracy Program;
- By tying Class members' right to Windows XP "updates and fixes" to whether
 Class members' computers continually pass the WGA Validation Anti-Piracy
 Program tests;
- v. By compromising the integrity, security, and ownership of class members' computers because the WGA Validation Anti-Piracy Program can be used by Microsoft or others to remotely control, reduce, or alter the functioning of class members' computers, or to collect additional personal data, without Class members' consent; and
- w. By forcing consumers to expend money, time, and resources in order to
 effectuate the removal of the WGA Validation Anti-Piracy Program installed
 on the computers of Class members without notice or consent.
- 8. Describe the nature of any injunctive, declaratory or equitable relief you seek in this case.

ANSWER:

Plaintiffs seek the following injunctive declaratory and or equitable relief

- 1. Removal of WGA from all computers in the United States on which it was installed.
- 2. Reconfiguration of the WGA program so that it is a completely opt-in program.
- 3. A complete uncoupling of WGA from all past, present, and future security and functionality updates of the XP operating system. This includes any components originally included as part of the Windows XP package (such

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- as Media Player, Internet Explorer, etc.).
- 4. The provision of a one-button removal tool for WGA for all residents of the United States; said removal tool should operate as automatically and as seamlessly as the original installation.
- 5. An independent audit of all information collected by Microsoft through its WGA program.
- 6. An independent audit of all uses which Microsoft made of the information collected through its WGA program.
- 7. An independent audit of all revenues Microsoft collected, generated, or otherwise obtained by virtue of its WGA program.
- 8. An independent audit of all benefits obtained by Microsoft through the use of its WGA program.
- 9. An independent audit to confirm the destruction of all data and information collected by WGA.
- 10. Disgorgement of all revenues Microsoft collected, generated, or otherwise obtained by virtue of its WGA program.
- 11. Disgorgement all benefits obtained by Microsoft through the use of its WGA program.
- 12. Independent oversight over Microsoft's Update program to insure that all Microsoft Updates are transparent as to what they are and what they do, including the ability to opt-out. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. clear, concise descriptions about the update in question;
 - b. presentation of any and all EULAs before any software is downloaded;
 - c. full disclosure prior to the retrieval of any information from the computer system of what information is being retrieved (sent back to Microsoft), why it is being retrieved, what it will be used for, how long it will be maintained, what will be done to protect such information; and when and how it will be disposed of;

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- d. clear adequate, concise, and easily available help information for further inquiry into what the update does, how to remove it, etc.
- 13. Independent oversight over Microsoft's Update program to insure that Critical / High Priority Updates only include security updates and other such bug-fixes that can prevent / repair potential harm to the computer.
- 14. Independent oversight over Microsoft's Update program to insure that Critical / High Priority Updates never include "beta" software, non-security / bug-fixed related software, nor anything that does not completely relate to the security, integrity, and proper running of a person's computer.
- 15. With respect non-Critical / High Priority Updates, particularly those that add functionality, features, or software programs, etc. Microsoft must include an easily executable removal tool capability built-in to the update.
- 16. With respect all Updates, once a program is marked as "don't ask me again" it doesn't ask again.
- 17. Mainstream support for Windows XP through 2012.
- 18. Release of the source code of all versions of WGA.

Discovery is ongoing and Plaintiffs have not yet determined the nature and extend of further relief.

9. If you contend that the amount of damages sustained by each putative class member by reason of the acts alleged in the Second Amended Consolidated Complaint can be calculated in a common manner in a single proceeding, state what formula or method you intend to use to calculate each putative class member's damages.

ANSWER: Plaintiffs contend that the amount of damages can be calculated in a common manner in a single proceeding using the formula set forth in the Windows XP EULA Clause entitled: "LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND REMEDIES" whereby each class member is provided \$5.00 or the cost of the Windows XP Software. Plaintiffs also contend that the court can devise any other means to calculate damages on a common basis.

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10. Describe every agreement you have with legal counsel or any other person or entity concerning the payment of counsel fees, expenses, and costs with respect to this action, including but not limited to (if the agreement so provides) who will advance and who is responsible for payment of the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of this action and whether a fee in this action will be shared with any person not a member of your counsel's law firm.

ANSWER: Plaintiffs object to this Interrogatory on the grounds that it seeks information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege. Plaintiffs have a written contingency fee agreement with their counsel.

11. Identify each putative class member or other non-expert witness who will testify (whether in person or by declaration or affidavit) in support of class certification in this case and summarize the person's testimony.

ANSWER: It is anticipated that the following putative class members will testify in support of class certification: Brian Johnson, Brian Weatherill, Nathan Verrilli, James Grennan, Charles Ellis, Engineered Process Controls, LLC, and Martin Sifuentes. Each of the class representatives are anticipated to submit testimony by way of declaration. It is anticipated that each class representative will testify as to the facts and circumstances by which that person is or became a member of the class he/ it purports to represent, and facts and circumstances addressing issues presented in the motion for class certification. In addition, it is anticipated that each class representative will testify as to his/ its willingness to act as a class representative, and his/ its understanding of the duties and responsibilities of a class representative.

- 12. Identify each person whom you expect to have testify as an expert witness (whether in person, by declaration, affidavit or expert report) in support of class certification in this case and, with respect to each such person, provide:
 - the subject matter and the substance of the facts and opinions as to which (i) the expert will offer an opinion;
 - (ii) his or her credentials and curriculum vitae, including a list of all publications by the witness within the preceding ten (10) years;

1	(iii) the compensation paid or to be paid for any study, report, or testimony;	
2	and	
3	(iv) a listing of all cases in which the expert has testified as an expert at a trial,	
4	hearing or by deposition, declaration or affidavit.	
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6	ANSWER: Plaintiffs have not yet identified expert witnesses.	
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Appendix B

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Case No. CV-06-0900-RAJ

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation

Defendant.

DEPOSITION OF JAMES GRENNAN

TAKEN ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENDANT

ON JULY 9, 2008, BEGINNING AT 8:36 A.M.

IN OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

APPEARANCES

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recall right now that I have sometime since WGA got on

- 2 my computer because they were checking to see what you
- 3 got and you are not going to get an update until you
- 4 do, but how many times, other than that time, which
- 5 had to be when automatic was turned off, not many.
- Q. Let me let me ask about your laptop
 computer, okay? Have you ever installed updates onto
- 8 that computer from this Microsoft website from which
- 9 you obtain updates?

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- 10 A. Again, I have no way of knowing.
- 11 Q. And you don't know whether automatic
- 12 updates is turned on on that computer?
 - A. That's right, I do not without looking.
- Q. Well, do you know if that -- if your laptop
- 15 computer gets updated?
- 16 A. No, I do not.
- 17 Q. With respect to your wife's laptop
- 18 computer, do you know if any -- if you have ever
- 19 obtained updates and installed onto that computer
- 20 updates from the Microsoft website?
- 21 A. I have had that computer too long to
- 22 remember, I really don't know. I haven't used it for
- 23 several months. I can tell you one thing, I have a
- 24 program called Invisus, I-N-V-I-S-U-S, which is my --
- 25 I believe it's the program, which is my firewall,

- 1 and you understand that you're still under oath,
- 2 correct?

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- A. I'm still under oath, yes.
- 4 Q. Now, is it your understanding that WGA is
- 5 composed of two programs, there's WGA validation and

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- 6 WGA notifications?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you know what WGA validation does?
- 9 A. WGA validation, I believe, is the program
- 10 that Microsoft put in my computer and the class
- members' computer to determine whether they have a valid copy.
- Q. Okay. And do you know what WGA notifications does?
- 15 A. Yes, my understanding is the notification
- 16 is that with WGA on the computer, if you -- if you are
- 17 going to do an update, Microsoft is going to check to
- 18 see that you have a valid copy of XP and will notify
- 19 you if you don't and tell you you can buy a copy for
- 20 \$149, something like that, less than what I paid for 21 it.
- Q. Okay. Before you installed WGA on any of your computers, did you review any documents or
- 24 websites about WGA?
 - MR. HIMMELFARB: Objection misstates --

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- which is my -- keep all the junk off except those that
- 2 can get on, and it at one time until a month or so ago
- 3 was plaguing me with messages, there is an update to
- 4 this, there is an update to that, there is a critical
- 5 update, and from that is when I probably went and
- 6 looked at that update, but whether I downloaded it, I
- 7 don't know.

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- Q. Was it a Microsoft update or was it an
- 9 update for something else?
- 10 A. I -- I am not certain, but I remember they
- 11 did that and then a month or two or three ago, they
- stopped doing that, they stopped putting out those -those type of messages. They put out a message like
- those type of messages. They put out a message like there's a Trojan out that -- that is affecting so and
- 15 so and we established how to capture that so it won't
- 16 harm your computer.
- As I recall, they also put out messages at
- 18 one time that there is an update that you should go
- 19 to, like, XP 2, whatever. I can't remember whether
- 20 they gave me a hypertext to it or not.
- Q. But you don't know one way oranother whether these were Microsoft updates?
- A. No, I don't really recall.
- 24 (Lunch break from 11:55 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.)
- Q. (By Mr. Hauck) We're back on the record

- assumes facts not in evidence and misstates histestimony.
- A. I think I've already answered it. I don't recall.
- Grennan's Exhibit No. 13 marked for identification)
- 7 Q. (By Mr. Hauck) Okay. I'm putting in front
- 8 of you a document that's been marked as Grennan 13.
- 9 Can you please review the document and familiarize
- 10 yourself with it. You don't need to review it word
- 11 for word, I just want you to have a sense as to what
- 12 the document is.
- 13 A. Yes, let me -- I've seen all this before.
- 14 Yeah. I have a copy.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 A. Before this copy.
 - Q. Have you seen this document before?
- 18 A. Yes, I've seen it before, counsel furnished
- 19 it to me.

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- Q. Okay. Now, I want you to flip to the
- $2\,\mathrm{l}$ $\,$ second -- I'm sorry, the third to the last page of the
- 22 document.
- A. The one that has my signature?
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. Yes, that's my signature.

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1	Q. Now, if you look at the top of that	1	A. Yes.
2	document, it says, (quoted as read):	2	Q. And then the third set of answers pertains
3	"I, James Grennan, being first duly sworn	3	to your laptop, correct?
4	declare that I have read the foregoing answers to	4	A. Yes.
5	defendant Microsoft Corporation's first set of	5	Q. Now, I want to focus on your desktop right
6	interrogatories to newly added plaintiffs, know the	6	now, okay?
7	contents thereof with respect to those responses that	7	A. Okay.
8	are attributable to me and believe the same to be true	8	Q. Now, for your desktop, the answer indicates
9	and correct."	9	that WGA was installed on April 2nd, 2007. Do you see
10	Do you see that?	10	that?
11	A. Yes, I do.	11	A. Yes.
12	Q. And beneath that, is that your signature?	12	Q. Okay. How do you know that?
13	A. Yes, it is.	13	A. I would imagine I searched for on my
14	Q. And by signing this document, were you	14	desktop for wgalogon.dll and came up with the date of
15	verifying that the answers contained in this document	15	4-2-2007.
16	were true and accurate?	16	Q. So you obtained it from the log file?
17	A. That I did what?	17	A. Obtained it from the
18	Q. When you signed this verification, was it	18	Q. You obtained the date from the log file, is
19	your understanding that you were verifying that the	19	that what you are saying?
20	answers contained in this document were true and	20	A. The line file?
21	correct?	21	Q. The log file.
22	A. Yes, at that time, to the best of my	22	A. The log file? I gather that's probably
23	knowledge.	23	true if that's DLL is the log file.
24	Q. Can you direct your attention to page 3?	24	Q. I'm asking, where did you obtain it from?
25	A. Uh-huh.	25	A. Pardon?
1	103		105
1	Q. Question number 1 in the middle of the page	1	Q. Where did you obtain that date from?
2	says (quoted as read):	2	A. I obtained it on my computer.
3	"For each copy of WGA validation and WGA	3	Q. Okay. You don't know from where on your
4	notification software that was installed on any of	4	computer?
5	your computers, identify, one, the update service or	5	A. I know that wgalogon.dll on my computer has
6	other source from which the software was downloaded,	6	a date 4-2-2007.
7	two, the date on which the software was installed,	7	Q. Do you know whether that date reflects the
8	and three, the manufacturer and model number of the	8	date of installation?
10	computer on which the software was installed."	10	A. I have no knowledge.
111	Do you see that? A. Yes.	10	Q. Well, why did you put April 2nd, 2007 as the answer?
12	Q. Now, if you flip to the next page, towards	12	A. Because that's what wgalogon.dll told me on
13	the middle it says "Grennan;" do you see that?	13	my desktop.
14	A. Yes.	14	Q. And you assumed that that was reflecting
15	Q. And beneath that there are your answers to	15	the date of installation of WGA?
16	this interrogatory, correct?	16	A. That was my my best answer. I assumed
17	A. Yes.	17	that the answer to Interrogatory Number 1 was right or
18	Q. And you've provided answers with respect to	18	I wouldn't have put it there.
19	all three computers that you owned; is that correct?	19	(Grennan's Exhibit No. 14 marked for
20	A. That's correct.	20	identification)
21	Q. And the first set of answers pertains to	21	Q. (By Mr. Hauck) Okay. I'm putting in front
22	your desktop computer, right?	22	of you a document that has been marked as Grennan 14.
23	A. That's correct.	23	Can you review this document and let me know when
24 25	Q. The second set of answers pertains to your wife's laptop, correct?	24 25	you're finished?

1 Honorable Richard A. Jones 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 7 AT SEATTLE 8 BRIAN JOHNSON, et al, on behalf of NO. CV 06-0900 RAJ 9 themselves and all others similarly situated, PLAINTIFFS RESPONSES TO 10 Plaintiffs, MICROSOFT'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO NEWLY ADDED 11 **PLAINTIFFS** 12 MICROSOFT CORPORATION, 13 a Washington corporation, 14 Defendant. 15 16 17 18 19 Plaintiffs Brian Weatherill ("Weatherill"), Nathan Verrilli ("Verrilli"), James Grennan 20 ("Grennan"), and Charles Ellis ("Ellis") hereby respond to Defendant Microsoft Corporation's 21 First Set Of Interrogatories To Newly Added Plaintiffs. 22 23 24

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August 6, 2008

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

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Plaintiffs,

vs.

No. CV 06-0900-RAJ

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation,

Defendant.

Deposition of

BRIAN PHILIP WEATHERILL

Wednesday, August 6, 2008

Reported by:

SHARON CABELLO, RPR

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- Q. MR. SKOK: I'm going to show you what has been marked as Exhibit Weatherill 16. Take a moment and take a look. This is Plaintiff's Responses to Microsoft's First Set of Interrogatories to Newly Added Plaintiffs.
- A. Okay, I believe I'm ready.
- Q. Take a look at page 16, Exhibit Weatherill 16.
- A. Yes.
- Q. You see it says "Verification. I, Brian
 Weatherill, being first duly sworn, declare that I have
 read the foregoing Answers to Defendant Microsoft
 Corporation's First Set of Interrogatories to Newly
 Added Plaintiffs, know the contents thereof with
 respect to those responses that are attributable to me,
 and believe the same to be true and correct."

You see that?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And there is a signature under there. You see that?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Is that your signature?
- A. It is, yes.
- Q. And you understood that by signing this you were verifying the accuracy, truthfulness and completeness of the answers regarding you in this

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******* BRIAN JOHNSON, et al.,

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DEPOSITION OF CHARLES ELLIS, a witness called on behalf of the Defendant, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, before Kristin Kelley, a Registered Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at the offices of Goodwin Proctor, 53 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts, on Monday, July 21, 2008, commencing at 8:34 a.m.

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your custom built computer?

It is my understanding that when the notifications program was downloaded the validation program had already been installed and cannot be removed, so given the information that I know of presented by Microsoft it should still be on my computer. Which one?

The validation.

So it's your belief that WGA validation is installed on your custom built computer?

Right. It's my understanding there's no way to remove it once it's installed.

Do you know whether WGA notification is installed on your computer?

To the best of my knowledge, it is not.

(Interrogatories marked Exhibit No. 8 for Identification.)

I've put in front of you a document marked as Ellis 8. Can you please take a look at the document and let me know when you're finished.

MR. HAUCK: Do you mind taking a break right now?

MR. HIMMELFARB: Fine.

(Recess.)

I've put in front of you a document that's marked as Ellis 8. Can you familiarize yourself with that document and let me know when you are finished.

I believe I'm familiar enough with it. Can you flip to the second to last page. Page 19?

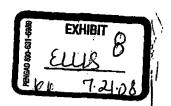
At the top it says "verification". Do you see that?

Yes.

It says "I, Charles Ellis, being first duly sworn declare that I have read the foregoing answers to defendant Microsoft Corporation's first set of interrogatories to newly added plaintiffs, know the contents thereof with respect to those responses that are attributable to me, and believe the same to be true and correct". Do you see that? I do.

Beneath that is that your signature? Yes.

By signing it was it your understanding that you were verifying the accuracy of the answers contained within this document?



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Appendix C

Appendix C Injunctive Relief Compared – SACC vs TACC

Second Amended Consolidated Complaint (Prayer for Relief)	Third Amended Consolidated Complaint (Paragraph 219)
(i) prohibiting Defendant from engaging in the acts alleged above;	b. Reconfiguration of the WGA program so that it is a completely opt-in program.
	c. A complete uncoupling of WGA from all past present and future security and functionality updates of the XP operating system. This includes any components originally included as part of the Windows XP package (such as Media Player, Internet Explorer, etc.).
	l. Independent oversight over Microsoft's Update program to insure that all Microsoft Updates are transparent as to what they are and what they do, including the ability to opt-out. This includes, but is not limited to: i. clear, concise descriptions about the update in question; ii. presentation of any and all EULAs before any software is downloaded; iii. full disclosure prior to the retrieval of any information from the computer system of what information is being retrieved (sent back to Microsoft), why it is being retrieved, what it will be used for, how long it will be maintained, what will be done to protect such information; and when and how it will be disposed of; iv. clear adequate, concise, and easily available help information for further inquiry into what the update does, how to remove it, etc.
	m. Independent oversight over Microsoft's Update program to insure that Critical / High Priority Updates only include security

	updates and other such bug-fixes that can prevent / repair potential harm to the computer. n. Independent oversight over Microsoft's Update program to insure that Critical / High Priority Updates never include "beta" software, non-security / bug-fixed related software, nor anything that does not completely relate to the security, integrity, and proper running of a person's computer. o. With respect non-Critical / High Priority Updates, particularly those that add functionality, features, or software programs, etc. Microsoft must include an easily executable removal tool capability built-in to the update. p. With respect all Updates, once a program is marked as "don't ask me again" it doesn't
(ii) requiring Defendant to disgorge all of its ill-gotten gains to Plaintiffs and the other Class members, or to whomever the Court deems appropriate;	j. Disgorgement of all revenues Microsoft collected, generated, or otherwise obtained by virtue of its WGA program. k. Disgorgement all benefits obtained by Microsoft through the use of its WGA
(iii) requiring Defendant to delete all data surreptitiously or otherwise collected through the acts of unfair competition or deceptive trade practices alleged above;	i. An independent audit to confirm the destruction of all data and information collected by WGA.
(iv) requiring Defendant to provide Plaintiffs and the other class members a tool to remove WGA in a manner at least as facile as it was installed, and an opportunity to decline any future installation of WGA;	a. Removal of WGA from all computers in the United States on which it was installed. d. The provision of a one-button removal tool for WGA for all residents of the United States; said removal tool should operate as automatically and as seamlessly as the original installation.
(v) awarding Plaintiff and class members full restitution of all monies wrongfully	

acquired by Defendant by means of the	
wrongful conduct alleged herein; and	
(vi) ordering an accounting and	e. An independent audit of all information
constructive trust imposed on the data,	collected by Microsoft through its WGA
funds or other assets obtained by unlawful	program.
means as alleged above, to avoid	program.
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dissipation, fraudulent transfers, and/or	f. An independent audit of all uses which
concealment of such assets by Defendant;	Microsoft made of the information collected
	through its WGA program.
	g. An independent audit of all revenues
	Microsoft collected, generated, or otherwise
	obtained by virtue of its WGA program.
	h. An independent audit of all benefits
	obtained by Microsoft through the use of its
	WGA program.
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